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DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

	Normal.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice	... 10 to 11	6½ to 7	seers per rupee.
Ragi	.... 25 to 30	16 to 17	

Agricultural operation— Ragi thrashing.

Prospect and probable outturn of harvests 5 to 6 annas.

Cattle are in good condition.

Water and fodder sufficient.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Standing crops are in good condition. Sugar-cane is being harvested as also sown in some parts. About (11+88+60+50+54) or 263 acres of sugar-cane was harvested during the week in Bangalore, Dodballapur, Nelamangala, Channapatna Taluks and Closepet Sub-Taluk; and 11 acres of the same is reported to have been re-sown in the Bangalore Taluk. Also about 10 acres of potato and 47 acres of ragi are reported to have been harvested in the Bangalore Taluk and Closepet Sub-Taluk. The probable outturn is on an average 8 annas worth of crops.

10. Prospects of the season moderate. There have been a few showers of rain in Bangalore, Nelamangala and Devanhalli Taluks. The price of food stocks continues to be high.

11. Public health generally good. Fever is reported to prevail in the Hoskote Taluk.

12. Cattle healthy except in the Hoskote Taluk where food and mouth disease is reported to prevail. Fodder generally available. Small tanks here and there are failing and temporary wells are being sunk in tank beds.

KOLAR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Sugar-cane is being sown in Kolar, Bowringpet, Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, Goribidnur, Srinivaspur and Gudibanda; and it is being milled in all the taluks. Harvesting of ragi is going on in all the taluks.

10. Prospects of the season depend upon early rains. Food stocks available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Water and fodder are generally available, but the supply of water is running short. Pasture in fields and grazing lands is almost exhausted.

TUMKUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Sugar-cane in Tumkur, Maddagiri, Gubbi, Koratagere; jola in Maddagiri, Pavagada and Koratagere; kadale in Maddagiri, Gubbi, Tiptur, Pavagada, Kunigal, Koratagere and

Turuvekere; cotton and nat ragi in Pavagada; kulthi and harka in parts of kunigal are being harvested. Sugar-cane is sown in Maddagiri, and Kunigal. Standing crops in Tumkur, Gubbi and Tiptur are in moderate condition; sugar-cane, paddy and kadale in tank beds and under kapile wells are in fair condition in Maddagiri Taluk. In Chiknayakanhalli Taluk water is not sufficient for vaisakhi paddy. Standing crops in Pavagada Taluk on lands under kapile wells are in fair condition. Paddy crop is withering for want of water in parts of Koratagere. Sugar-cane crop in Huliyurdurga in the Kunigal Taluk and in Mayasandra in Turuvekere Sub-Taluk is partly withering. The probable outturns of crops are the following :—

Maddagiri—Sugar-cane 8 annas, jola 5 annas and kadale 6 annas.
Gubbi—Sugar-cane 4 annas and kadale 4 annas.
Pavadada—Nat ragi 4 annas, jola 4 annas, kadale 4 annas and cotton 4 annas.
Kunigal—Nat ragi 2 to 8 annas, kadale 2 annas, kulthi 4 annas, harka 2 annas and paddy 2 to 12 annas.
Koratagere—Jola 4 annas.
Turuvekere—Sugar-cane 4 annas and kadale 8 annas.

In the Sira Taluk cholum (4 to 8 annas,) wheat (1 to 4 annas) and cotton (1 to 4 annas) were harvested during the week; and standing crops of sugar-cane, paddy, cholum and nat ragi on lands under wells are in moderate condition and cotton and wheat crops are reported to be very bad. The rainfall in the Taluk of the 21st instant is reported to have been very beneficial to paddy, cholum, sugar-cane and nat-ragi crops in the Kasaba sammat.

10. Prospects of the season not encouraging. Food stocks sufficient for the present. Supply of water in wells is diminishing in parts of Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Gubbi, Tiptur, Pavagada, Sira and Koratagere Taluks with the advance of hot weather.

11. Public health generally good, except that small pox is reported to be prevalent in parts of Tiptur and Turuvekere Taluks.

12. Cattle healthy, except that foot and mouth disease is prevalent in parts of Tiptur. In parts of Maddagiri, Pavagada and Koratagere water is drawn from wells for cattle to drink. In parts of the Sira Taluk date leaves are used as fodder for cattle.

MYSORE.

8. The weekly markets in all the Taluks are reported to have been well supplied with grain during the week.

9. Standing sugar-cane and Mulberry crops are reported to be fair in parts of Chamrajnagar and Malvalli and good in parts of Seringapatam, Nanjangud and Nagamangala. Lands in parts of Seringapatam and Gundlupet are being ploughed; and jola in parts of T.-Narsipur and Mysore Taluks; and sugar-cane in parts of Krishnarajpete are being sown.

The probable out-turn of crops is as follows :—

T.-Narsipur—Mulberry and sugar-cane 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are encouraging. None under relief. Raiyats and merchants are reported to have sufficient stock of food grains for the present.

11. Public health generally good. But Small-pox is reported to be still prevailing in Heggaddevankote and Krishnarajpete Taluks.

12. Cattle are reported to be healthy in all the Taluks except in parts of Chamrajnagar where they are reported to be suffering from mouth and foot disease. Fodder is generally available except in parts of Gundlupet. Difficulty for water is felt in parts of Hunsur, Heggaddevankote, Gundlupet, Krishnarajpete, Mandya and Nagamangala Taluks. Tanks in Bannur Hobli, T.-Narsipur Taluk are reported to have received 2 to 3 months' supply of water.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. Sugar-cane in Hassan, Belur, Arsikere, Channarayapatna, Hole-Narsipur, and paddy in Hassan, Manjarabad and Arsikere are reported to be in a fair condition. No damage is reported to have been done to crops by insects, etc.

The following is the estimated outturn of crops :—

Hassan—Kadale 4 to 8 annas.
Arsikere—Sugar-cane and paddy (if rain falls) 4 annas.
Hole-Narsipur—Sugar-cane 10 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair. Food stocks sufficient for the present. No grain scarcity and no people under relief.

11. Public health generally good. Small-pox is reported to be prevalent in several parts of the District.

12. Cattle generally healthy, but foot and mouth disease is reported to exist in parts of Manjarabad, Belur and Arsikere and Arkalgud Taluks. Fodder and water available generally.

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SHIMOGA.

8. Market well supplied. Prices high.

9. Harvesting of crops is nearing completion in all taluks. Sugar-cane milling is almost finished in Shimoga, Sagar and Sorab. Sowing of Vaisakhi paddy is finished in Sagar. Sugar-cane is being planted in Sagar and Sorab. Castor and cotton are reported to be in a fair condition in Honnali.

10. Food stocks are reported to be somewhat insufficient in Kumsi, Shikarpur and Sorab. In other taluks they are reported to be enough for the present.

11. Public health good.

12. Cattle healthy. Fodder supply is running short in parts of Shikarpur, Honnali and Kumsi. In other taluks fodder is available in sufficient quantities. Water-supply is failing in parts of Shimoga, Honnali, Shikarpur, Sagar, Sorab and Kumsi.

KADUR.

8. Market fairly supplied.

9. Ploughing is carried on in parts of Mudgere. Sugar-cane is being planted in Tarikere and Yedahalli. The standing crops, *viz.*, sugar-cane and cotton in Tarikere, kar paddy and sugar-cane in Kadur; sugar-cane in Chikmagalur and pepper in Koppa, are in fairly good condition. Sugar-cane and cotton in Tarikere and sugar-cane in parts of Kadur are being harvested. In Chikmagalur the harvesting of Bengal gram and garlic is over.

The probable outturn is as follows :—

Tarikere—Standing crops 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair. Food stocks are reported to be available and sufficient for the present.

11. Public health generally good, except that small-pox prevails in parts of Chikmagalur and Yedahalli.

12. Foot and mouth disease to cattle in the district is reported to be subsiding to some extent. No unusual mortality reported on this account. Water and fodder generally available. Sanction has been given for the removal of date leaves from selected groves in two of the hoblis of the Kadur Taluk. Wells are reported to be drying up in parts of Yedahalli and Chikmagalur Taluks.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. The standing dry crops are reported to be in fairly good condition. Navane was sown in parts of the Molakalmuru during the week.

The outturn of crops harvested during the week is as follows :—

Chitaldrug—Cotton 2 annas, wheat 4 annas and sugar-cane 10 annas.

Hiriyur—Navane, avare, togari and cotton 4 annas, wheat, Bengal gram and ragi 2 annas, ragi under kapile wells 8 to 10 annas, paddy 2 annas and paddy under kapile wells 10 to 12 annas.

Holalkere—Cotton 6 annas.

Davangere—Cotton, sugar-cane and Bengal-gram 8 annas.

Jagalur—Cotton 4 to 8 annas.

Molakalmuru—Wheat 4 to 8 annas.

Harihar—Cotton 4 to 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair. Food stocks available.

11. Public health good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water procurable. Fodder procurable in limited quantities.

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